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AMENDMENT NO. \_\_\_\_\_

Calendar No. \_\_\_\_\_

Purpose: To make the provisions of the Voting Rights Act  
of 1965 permanent.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES—108th Cong., 2d Sess.

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AMENDMENT intended to be proposed by Mr. FRIST (for  
himself and Mr. McCONNELL)

Viz:

1 At the end, add the following:

2 **SEC. \_\_\_\_ MAKING THE PROVISIONS OF THE VOTING**

3 **RIGHTS ACT OF 1965 PERMANENT.**

4 (a) PERMANENCY OF PRECLEARANCE REQUIRE-

5 MENTS.—Section 4(a)(8) of the Voting Rights Act of 1965

6 (42 U.S.C. 1973b(a)(8)) is amended to read as follows:

7 “(8) The provisions of this section shall not ex-

8 pire.”.

1       (b) PERMANENCY OF BILINGUAL ELECTION RE-  
2 QUIREMENTS.—Section 203(b)(1) of the Voting Rights  
3 Act of 1965 (42 U.S.C. 1973aa-1a(b)(1)) is amended by  
4 striking “Before August 6, 2007, no covered State” and  
5 insert “No covered State”.

6       (c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by  
7 this section shall take effect on the date of enactment of  
8 this Act.